

## CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

## INFORMATION REPORT

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| COUNTRY        | Spanish Zone of Morocco  | REPORT NO.           | <input type="text"/> |
| SUBJECT        | Resumption of Publication of Islah Party Newspaper, <u>Al-Oummah</u> | DATE DISTR.          | 28 October 1953      |
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1. At the invitation of the Spanish High Commissioner, Garcia-Valino, al-Oummah,<sup>1</sup> the organ of the Islah (Reform) Party, has resumed publication in Tetuan, Spanish Morocco, after months of inactivity. Garcia-Valino gave this invitation to Abdelhalek Torres, head of the Islah Party, on 2 October 1953 in Tetuan, stating that there was no reason why publication of the paper should not be resumed and that the Spanish would not interfere with it in any way. He further stated that someone should explain the true status of affairs in the French Zone of Morocco.
2. Accordingly, al-Oummah reappeared on 8 October with the lead article highly critical of French action in French Morocco and, by contrast, thanking the Spanish High Commissioner and his government for their friendly attitude toward the Moroccan people.

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1.  Comment. Al-Oummah voluntarily suspended publication in July 1952 because of Spanish refusal to allow its distribution in the Rif area.

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